

## MUTUAL GETS INSIDE HELP.

### JAMES C. COLGATE HEADS MOVEMENT BACKING ADMINISTRATION

He's the Second Largest Policyholder, and Has Called a Meeting of Other Policyholders for Tomorrow—Understandably Men Say It's a Wall Street Dodge.

James C. Colgate, head of the banking and brokerage firm of James B. Colgate & Co., 36 Wall street, and the second largest policyholder in the Mutual Life Insurance Company, has called a meeting of Mutual policyholders for the purpose of organizing a committee to support the Mutual's present administration in the campaign that is being waged against it.

Mr. Colgate said yesterday that he had mailed copies of a letter to thirty policyholders in the United States and Canada, all of them holders of very large policies. Of the persons invited to attend the meeting, which will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria tomorrow, only one, Mr. Colgate said, has declined, and he for purely personal reasons. Mr. Colgate expects all the others will be present. Here is the letter which Mr. Colgate sent out under date of August 30:

"Being a large policyholder in the Mutual Life Insurance Company, I have been watching with great interest and some anxiety the developments in the life insurance situation. The international policyholders' committee, more popularly and perhaps more accurately known as the Underwriter committee, has been engaged in a campaign against the past and present administration of the Mutual Life and New York Life insurance companies. For some reason they have been particularly bitter in their attacks upon the Mutual. Sensational articles in the press and circular letters to policyholders, printed in red and black ink, have conveyed the idea that every one connected with the present administration lacks ordinary honesty and intelligence, and that the affairs of the company are being shamelessly administered. The effect of such statements, constantly reiterated in the press, is most injurious to the company.

Having satisfied myself some months since that the charges and criticisms brought against the present administration were unfounded and that the company is being carefully and wisely administered, a change at the present time seems to me unfortunate. For some time I have believed that it would be greatly to the interest of the policyholders if a committee were formed which would endeavor to secure the concerted action of the policyholders of the Mutual Life throughout the country in supporting the administration ticket against the criticisms and charges which have been so freely circulated by the counsel for the international policyholders' committee.

Having waited for some one else to start such a movement, and no action having been taken, I have decided to write to a few policyholders who are said to be opposed to the attacks now making against the Mutual Life to see whether they would attend a meeting in this city to consider the advisability of organizing a committee with the object of enlisting as many of the policyholders as possible in a Mutual Life protective association.

May I ask you, therefore, if you will attend a meeting of a small number of policyholders of the company, to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria, from various parts of the country, at the Waldorf, in New York, September 12 at 11 o'clock A. M., to consider the situation?

The large interest which I have in the company—my policy amounting to \$1,500,000, and the belief that a change at the present time will greatly affect the value of these policies is my excuse for this step.

JAMES C. COLGATE.

The only man who exceeds Mr. Colgate in the amount of insurance carried in the Mutual is Rodman Wanamaker, who is said to carry more than \$2,000,000. The Wanamaker insurance is represented on the international committee by Thomas B. Wanamaker of Philadelphia.

G. R. Scruggs, organization manager of the international committee, had this to say when he last saw Mr. Colgate:

"This committee does not expect to get its support in this movement from Wall Street or its affiliates. It requires no stretch of the imagination to understand the brotherhood that exists in and around that locality.

The tender solicitude of Mr. Colgate for the administration ticket, including his championship of Messrs. Julliard, Baker Davies and their dozen or more associates who are responsible for all the scandals and misadventures of the company, seems a little premature. These gentlemen rely on short memories. Perhaps if Mr. Colgate would read what the Armstrong committee had to say about the candidates who are trying to reelect themselves and their associates and would wait until the policyholders' ticket had been announced he would be in a better position to judge of the merits of the controversy.

The ramifications of the great financial powers that are behind the movement to reelect the old administration are endless.

We notice that he has taken his cue in the attack on the eminent gentlemen constituting the international committee from the circular letters issued by the administration.

If the policyholders throughout the country knew how the managements of these two companies are using their money and employees and all the other things reported by the manipulation of their vast assets in the desperate efforts to keep their property away from them the administration would not have a corporal's guard left when the ballots came to be counted. The salaries of agents, instead of attending to the business for which the policyholders are paying them, have been converted into a vast engineering machine and are traveling around among the policyholders misrepresenting the situation and canvassing for votes for the administration.

Circulars such as that issued by Mr. Colgate are on the printing press as fast as they are given to the newspapers and are put into the hands of the agents, who use them for electioneering purposes.

Mr. Colgate refused yesterday to disclose the identity of any of the policyholders who will meet with him tomorrow. He denied that he had anything to do with a movement which has been started to put a third ticket in the field.

Mr. Colgate is a son of the late James B. Colgate, who gave nearly \$2,000,000 to Colgate University. The name of the university was changed from Madison to Colgate in honor of the Colgate family. James C. Colgate's grandfather, Reuben Colgate, was the first important benefactor of the university.

Samuel Undermyer, counsel for the international committee, will sail to-day on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. He will be away only three weeks. He is taking the trip for a rest.

**THE REV. DR. HERALD QUILTS.**

Brooklyn Congregational Church Loses Its Rector and His Assistant.

The Rev. Dr. Charles Herald, pastor of the Bethesda Congregational Church in Brooklyn, and the Rev. Olyn M. Coward, his assistant, have both resigned, the former retiring at the close of the year and the latter in a few weeks to accept the pastorate of the Congregational church at Mattituck, Ill. In his letter to his congregation, which was considerably surprised by his action, Mr. Herald said that after much prayerful consideration, he had reached the conclusion that his work in the church should be brought to a close and that he felt that there was still a great work for him to do in another field.

A year or so ago there was discussion in the Bethesda congregation and some dissatisfaction with Mr. Herald's management of the church. The pastor took a trip to Europe and on his return, a few months ago, got a warm welcome, and it was supposed that the trouble in the church had been ended.

## J. H. SMITH TOWED MRS. STEWART

Announcement Had Been Expected Since She Obtained Her Divorce.

According to cable despatches from Scotland, the bans for the marriage of James Henry Smith and Mrs. Rhineland Stewart were read on Sunday in the parish church of Alvie, Invernesshire. It is expected that the marriage will take place soon.

The announcement of the forthcoming marriage is not altogether in the nature of a surprise. Mrs. Stewart obtained a decree of divorce from her husband in South Dakota on August 24 last. Long before that her marriage to Mr. Smith after the divorce was secured had been mentioned as a probability.

Mr. Smith has been spoken of as the richest bachelor in this country. In 1899 he inherited from his uncle, George Smith, a fortune estimated then at \$50,000,000, which has since largely increased. Mr. Smith was an inconspicuous Wall Street banker when his uncle died in London. The uncle had made his fortune in Chicago, but had resided in England for some time before his death. He was one of the pioneer bankers of the Northwest. He came from Aberdeenshire, Scotland. His estate paid in taxes to the British Government the sum of \$4,500,000.

Mr. Smith, from being a retired bachelor, became a married man. He bought the William C. Whitney house on Fifth avenue. He also has a place at Tuxedo and residences in London and Scotland, and a great deal of land in the West. In 1892 Mr. Smith purchased Rubens's "The Holy Family" for \$50,000 and presented it to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. He has since been a patron of the fine arts, and his bachelor days was a great lover of books. He is a man of middle age.

Mrs. Stewart was Miss Annie Armstrong, the daughter of John A. Armstrong of Baltimore. She is an eldest sister of Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel of Philadelphia. She and William Rhineland Stewart were married in 1879. Mr. Stewart is the head of one of the oldest New York families, a lawyer, and once president of the State Board of Charities. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart were prominent in society, but it is said that Mrs. Stewart cared more for social amusements than did her former husband.

A little over a year ago the Stewarts separated. Mrs. Stewart going to Sioux Falls for the purpose of establishing a residence there. It then became known that she was preparing to sue her husband for divorce. Mrs. Stewart purchased a cottage at Sioux Falls, and her decree was filed on August 24. By the terms of the decree Mrs. Stewart had the guardianship of her daughter, Anita Stewart, until the latter attained her majority. Mr. Stewart had the guardianship of his son, the only child of the couple.

United States Senator Kittredge represented Mrs. Stewart. Immediately after the decree was filed Mrs. Stewart, with her daughter, left Sioux Falls for Philadelphia, whence she sailed to Europe.

## 30 CROOKS TURNED LOOSE.

Lack of Evidence Moves Magistrate Cornell to Indignation.

C. A. Berard of 450 West Thirty-fourth street was complainant in the Tombs police court yesterday against Charles Phillips, alias Cohen, of 300 East Ninety-eighth street. He was riding on the platform of a Thirty-fourth street car on Saturday when three men jostled him and at once left the car. He missed his wallet containing \$50 and reported the loss at Police Headquarters.

In the rogues' gallery Berard picked out the picture of Phillips as one of the three men who jostled him on the car. Phillips was arrested but proved that he was not in the case. He was discharged.

About thirty other pickpockets gathered in over night were in court. The usual lack of evidence and consequent discharge of the men led Magistrate Cornell to a few comments of his own to the numerous judicial remarks on the subject that have come from the Tombs police court during the last week.

"I should like to send every one of these common thieves to the workhouse for six months as a vagrant," said the court. "If I do so Boston and New York would be properly protected here until the same plan is followed. I have tried twice to secure the passage of such a law. At first the bill I drafted provided for the imprisonment of known pickpockets when found acting suspiciously in crowds. That bill met a lot of opposition from the District Attorney's office. To meet the objection I changed the bill so it provided for the imprisonment only of known thieves who had been convicted in a court. But even that didn't pass. There must be crooked work somewhere. However, I am through with the whole business."

## SCHOOLS IN.

The Young Idea on Hand Early to Be Taught How to Shoot.

When the janitors of the public schools threw open the gates yesterday morning there was a rush of youngsters for the inside of the buildings. At the schools the children had been gathering since 8 o'clock, and in some cases earlier. The first day of the term was one of more or less confusion.

In some of the schools in Manhattan where part time classes were held last year it was expected that this year every pupil would be on full time. Public School No. 24, East 10th street, and Heister, one of the largest in the city, having about 4,000 pupils. John Roberts, the principal, said yesterday that he was confident there would be no part time in his school this year.

Just how many children showed up at the opening yesterday will not be known until the reports have been sent by the principals to the office of the City Superintendent and tabulated.

I may know by the end of the week just how many pupils were registered when the schools opened to-day," said City Superintendent. "Some reports are that they probably reach me by to-morrow, but they will not be sufficient on which to base an estimate as to the school population."

## HELD FOR "SCAB" MURDER.

Thomas Curran Charged With the Killing of a Belmont Tunnel Worker.

Thomas Curran, a teamster employed at the Belmont tunnel, was arrested yesterday on a charge of homicide and arraigned before Magistrate Smith in Long Island City. He is accused of having been concerned in the killing of Patrick Fields, who was found dying in a lot on Hunter's Point, was found yesterday morning. Fields died last in St. John's Hospital, after he had refused to tell how he met with his injuries.

The police learned that Thomas Matthews of 21 Orchard street had been talking about the case given by Matthews the arrest of Curran was made. It is said that Matthews told the police about having heard some men talking about "doing up" Fields because he was a "scab." When Fields was found several of his ribs on the right side were crushed. He was 45 years old and lived at 125 Jackson avenue, Long Island City.

Curran was held without bail for a hearing on Monday next. District Attorney Darrin was present at the arraignment.

## New City Office Building for The Bronx.

Mr. J. Garvin, Borough President Haffen's architect, has filed with Building Superintendent Reville plans for a new three-story office building for the city to be built on Olivine avenue north of Magenta street. It is to be 13 feet front and 13 feet deep and is to cost \$240,000.

## FRAUD ORDER FOR McLEAN CO.

"GIFTS" OF SILVER TO PUZZLE SOLVERS DISCONTINUED.

Successful Ones Were Asked to Send \$1.35 for Boxing and Packing—Some Got No Results at All—Letters to the Mayor and Police Led to Investigation.

After an investigation based on many complaints of alleged victims a fraud order has been issued stopping the mail of the McLean Publishing Company of 58 Walker street, and the concern has been forced to go out of business.

Joseph F. Polard seemed to be the whole show in the McLean company. He advertised extensively in cheap magazines with large circulations in the West and South, offering to give a prize to any one solving a simple puzzle. When the correct solution was received he sent a circular letter to the solver saying that his name was on the list and that all he had to do was to present his claim for the present and send along the trifling sum of \$1.35, to cover boxing and packing charges.

"The present which will be given to you," says the letter, "is a very beautiful set of table silverware, consisting of an eight place silver plate service, including sugar shell, gold bowl, carefully packed in an elegant double sealed box, all fully warranted." The "gift" also included four volumes of the "Arlington edition," which must have cost as much as 7 cents each.

All complaints received thousands of answers to its ads, and the money rolled in a stream. In the office as many as fifty girls were employed in taking care of the mail and sending out circulars. Several months ago the postmaster here began to get complaints against the concern. Complaints in great numbers also poured in on the Mayor and the Police Department.

They came from such places as West Liberty, Ohio; Basin, Mont., and Peabody, Mich. One woman in the latter place wrote: "I have been fool enough to be duped by some rascals in your city as the following will show:

In some periodicals prizes were offered by these rascals, whose correspondence I enclose, for the solution of a puzzle. As usual they did not want one cent of my money, so I sent solution—result as you see. I hope you can prevent them from continuing their nefarious business.

## ANTONIO PRIDE DEAD.

Man Once Well Known on Broadway Cuts His Throat in Hotel.

Antonio Pride, who had some celebrity on Broadway fifteen years ago, wearied of having death at his elbow and took his life in his room at the Hotel Langmore in Forty-seventh street at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. First he ordered the hotel telephone boy to ring up Dr. Charles Finlay, who lives across the street, and tell him that his services were sorely needed.

When the physician arrived, he found Pride, whom he had treated twice before the same night for sinking spells induced by heart disease, sitting on the edge of his bed and bleeding from a deep slash across the jugular vein.

"I didn't cut my throat or this," whispered Pride. "I just thought after the boy telephoned that I might as well finish things now instead of waiting."

Then he was a silk buyer for E. S. Jaffray & Co., making yearly trips to Europe and bringing back fads of Vienna and Budapest to spice after theatre suppers. But friends began to fall away from him. He had a daily grew more serious. Years Tony Pride's name has been forgotten. Without friends, alone, he lived a dreary life.

The months ago his heart began to bother him. He kept at his work as clerk in the office of Eisels & King, agents of the Equitable Life at 120 Broadway, though his malady daily grew more serious. One Sunday night he had Dr. Finlay called twice before the final summons to relieve him.

Pride was unmarried. He is said by the hotel clerk to have one relative surviving him, a sister in Mississippi.

## MR. GATES'S DRIVER FREED.

Owner of Auto Swears He Was Speeding to Bedside of Sick Mother.

Charles G. Gates was in Jefferson Market police court yesterday as a witness in behalf of his chauffeur, Frederick Walsh, who was charged with overspeeding an automobile. Mr. Gates, with his wife and his business partner, Ramsey Boggs, was being driven rapidly up the Bowery by Walsh Saturday night when Roundman Casey in Commissioner Bingham's auto stopped the party and put the chauffeur under arrest. The police say that Mr. Gates used abusive language when his automobile was stopped, threatening the officer with the loss of his position.

Magistrate Barlow conducted the hearing in the case. Mr. Gates testified that he was hastening to the Waldorf-Astoria to the bedside of his mother, who he had just learned had suddenly become very ill.

Second Deputy Commissioner Mathis represented the police at the hearing. Magistrate Barlow turned to him and said: "It seems to me, Commissioner, that this case is very similar to that in which you a few days ago were overspeeding your auto to hasten a sick child to the hospital. The circumstances justified a technical breach of the law in both cases. The prisoner is discharged."

## AUTO RUNS DOWN CYCLIST.

Fractured Skull Results and the Driver of the Car Is Held.

FLUSHING, L. I., Sept. 10.—As the result of a collision last night between an automobile and a bicyclist, Stanley A. Martin, 22 years old, of 234 West Fifty-second street, Manhattan, was arraigned in the Magistrate's court to-day on a charge of assault and was held in \$1,000 bail for a hearing on September 19.

Martin, accompanied by a young woman, was driving along Broadway, Flushing, last night when at Flushing place the auto came into collision with a bicycle ridden by Michael Glose, an Italian. The bicycle was smashed and Glose was hurled to the ground. He was taken to the Flushing Hospital, where he was found to have a fractured skull. His condition is said to be critical.

Martin was locked up for the night. His companion became hysterical in the station house. She was escorted to her home in Manhattan by a policeman. She did not tell her name. Martin was released on bail. Martin said he rented the car from K. C. Darling of 110 West Forty-third street, Manhattan.

## WEDDING SILVER.

Indicative of the bride's popularity—silverware of the famous.

"1847 ROGERS BROS."

brand. This mark on knives, forks, spoons, etc., is the mark of quality.

"Silver Plate that Wears"

Ask your dealer for coffee and tea sets.

WHOLESALE BRITAIN CO.

## WHOLE QUARTET MISSING.

Aggregate Age, 46 Years—Chorus of Mothers Seek Them.

Four mothers of four boys, all in tears, appeared before Sergt. Maxwell in the Oak street police station last night.

"What can I do for you, ladies?" asked the sergeant.

"My George is gone," sobbed Mrs. Bridget De Salva.

"My Charlie is gone," said Mrs. Antonio Siga.

"I cannot find my Tommy," added Mrs. Ressa Buono.

"My poor little Jimmy. Oh, where is he?" cried Mrs. James Burano.

"Pardon me, ladies, but I don't exactly understand. I gather from your remarks that somebody is missing and that you are hunting for him."

"Yes, yes, yes, yes," "My George," "My Charlie," "My Tommy," "My Jimmy!" exclaimed the four mothers in chorus.

"Now, wait a minute, one at a time," said the sergeant.

The mothers were too overcome to explain, so that Sergt. Maxwell, who had been called by Mrs. De Salva and Mrs. Buono, sisters of two of the missing boys.

According to the story of the little girls, the four boys, ranging in age from 7 to 12 years, all living in the same neighborhood in the Cherry Hill district, were last seen on Cherry street Sunday about noon. They were chums and the eldest, Charles Siga, 12 years old, lives at 77 Roosevelt street, where their father, who was a painter, lived.

George De Salva, 11 years old, lives at 30 Cherry street; Thomas Buono, 7 years old, at 134 Waverly street; and James Burano, 10, at 17 Oliver street.

"Had the boys any money? Did they read any stories? Did they ever talk about going out West and fighting Indians?" asked Sergt. Maxwell.

"My brother had a cent," said little Annie. "My brother had a cent, too," said Mary. "But they could not read the A. B. C. books and they never talked about fighting Indians."

The four mothers then said they had been to Police Headquarters, the Children's Court, the Gerry society and several hospitals, but had been unable to locate the boys. Sergt. Maxwell sent out a general alarm for their return, but to their surprise they have gone off on a newspaper selling escapade or some similar adventure and will turn up at home when their stomachs begin to feel the lack of proper nourishment.

## Wanamaker Wear-Well

\$3 SHOES for Men

Full Equals of Best \$3.50 Shoes Elsewhere

The new Fall models are ready to-day—the smart, narrow-toe shapes that best dressers demand, in patent leather and gun-metal calfskin; as well as the wide, conservative lasts for business men, and the stout, heavy Winter shoes, to stand the hard knocks that many men give their shoes.

EVERY SOLE IS OF GOOD OAK-TANNED LEATHER—style, service, comfort and excellent finish are all combined in these BIGGEST-VALUE shoes to be found anywhere today, at anything like their price.

All styles, all leathers—\$3 a pair.

Main floor, Wanamaker Building.

## WOMEN'S SUITS

The Most Advanced Styles

Good taste. In materials, colors, styles. The most distinguished of the new fashions, conservative or extreme, but in good taste always.

Almost every suit in the list below is worthy of separate description—there are so many new touches, so many charming arrangements unseen before—and not to be seen this early anywhere, except in this collection. Remarkably modest prices:

At \$15—Suits of fine worsteds, in mixture and checks, mannish sack coats; fly-front or double-breasted; strapped seams, or plain with velvet collar. Skirts gored, plaited; seams bound.

At \$22.50—Suits of cheviot; double-breasted, semi-fitting jacket; shawl collar and cuffs of velvet; seams trimmed with black braid; lined with satin. Skirts gored, box-plaited.

At \$27—Suits of cheviot; semi-fitting jackets, 22 in. long, trimmed with braid; inlaid collar of velvet; vest of velvet edged with braid; sleeves plaited, with turnback cuffs of braided velvet; lined with satin. Seven-gored skirts, plaited panel in front and back; side gored, side plaited.

At \$15—One of the newest Fall models; extremely high bust, small waist, and semi-fitted hips; perfect in body with the newest models in gowns.

Second floor, Tenth street, Stewart Building.

## Lillians—The Corsets of Loveliness

Nothing comes from France with more of the French qualities of style perfection than Lillian Corsets.

The chief of French Corset-makers calls them the chief of his products for

Grace and Litheness

Rounded Contour and Tapering Effect

Piancy and Firmness

Comfort and Good Wear

Elegant. In these and other new Fall models:

At \$8—Ideal model for well-developed figures; high bust, small waist, and long hips. Of fine coutil.

At \$10—Unequaled for bringing out the bust-line of plump figures; made of firm coutil; medium bust, long over hips and abdomen; with two sets of supporters.

At \$12.50—Beautiful six-gore Corset, producing extremely small waist, medium high bust, and long skirt.

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## Framed Pictures at Half Price

There is going to be a new Picture Store at WANAMAKER'S in a few weeks, and there are many lots of very excellent pictures now here which we do not wish to show when the new Picture Store is ready. This is simply because we wish to present at that time everything absolutely new. You will find many beautiful and most desirable etchings, photogravures, engravings and artotypes in the present offering.

While a few of the Pictures are not at half price, some are very much less than half price, really making the average saving better than a half.

The groups are as follows:

\$2 and \$3 Framed Pictures, at \$1 each.

\$3.75 to \$5 Framed Pictures, at \$2 each.

\$4.50 to \$7.50 Framed Pictures, at \$3 each.

\$7.50 Framed Pastels, at \$4.50 each.

\$7.50 and \$12.50 Framed Pictures, at \$5 each.

\$10 Framed Pastels, at \$5 each.

Picture Store Fifth floor, Stewart Building.

## JOHN WANAMAKER

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New Fall samples and our illustrated booklet, "Vell of Fashion," given or mailed to any address.

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Broadway & Ninth Street.

*McWanamaker Store*  
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## Men's Business Suits at \$15

While we are most proud of the splendid suits we show this season at \$30, \$35 and \$40, it has been a very much greater merchandizing achievement to secure the splendid array of Men's Sack Suits at \$15. Every man familiar with trade conditions knows how all-wool fabrics have advanced; and those who know Wanamaker principles know also that no shoddy woollens or cotton mixtures ever get in Wanamaker stocks. There is not a thread of cotton in any woolen fabric used in Wanamaker clothing for men and boys. We shall be glad to give a new suit to any one who discovers the contrary—and we are perfectly willing to have every fabric we sell in men's and boys' clothing boiled in caustic potash, which is the crucial test.

With these facts established, we are anxious to have careful men look at the handsome, dignified sack suits we show this season, made of plain black or plain blue chevots and plain black thibets. Not only are the fabrics of exceptional quality at the price, but the workmanship thorough is of the thorough Wanamaker character. The woollens are thoroughly shrunken and so are the interlinings—the linen, the haircloth and even the tapes, which insure continued good form to the garments. The coats are in four different models, one or the other of which presents the exact style you desire. The coats are full lined with serge, which is the best looking and most serviceable lining fabric. Single or double-breasted. All sizes, for regular, stout and tall, slim men. \$15 a suit.

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